

LAGOA FRIENDSHIP PACT COMMITTEE MINUTES

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Bueno, Ms. Carvalho, Mr. Lopez

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Freitas – Select Board Liaison

FAIRHAVEN,
MASS.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bueno at 2:04pm.

There was a roll call of committee members: Mr. Bueno, Ms. Carvalho, Mr. Lopez

Reorganization of Committee

Ms. Carvalho nominated Mr. Bueno as Chairman, Mr. Lopez seconds the nomination. Motion passes 2-1-0.

Mr. Lopez nominates Ms. Carvalho as Vice Chair, Mr. Bueno seconds the nomination. Motion passes 2-1-0.

Ms. Carvalho nominates Mr. Lopez as Recording Secretary, Mr. Bueno seconds the nomination. Motion passes 2-1-0.

Possible Action/Discussion

Mr. Bueno read letter from Lagoa Delegation into the record.

Ms. Carvalho stated it was a great idea. While the group must think outside venues for this event, we must be cognizant that these photographs be covered as well. Otherwise, this is great! She stated that, as she understands it, our Lady of Angels' organization was established by immigrants from Água de Pau. This matters as organizations such as these bring connections back to the roots.

Mr. Bueno agreed with Ms. Carvalho's sentiments to seek out various places to hold this occasion for the city of Lagoa as we still have a lot of time to plan. They are requesting the artwork be held from July 24th - August 8th, 2022.

Ms. Carvalho commented that she heard the mayor and a delegation from Lagoa was coming next month?

Mr. Lopez stated he heard something about that as well.

Mr. Bueno stated he will touch base with the Town Administrator Wendy or Assistant to the Town Administrator Vicki to figure out if that visit is happening or if the committee is just tasked with showcasing the artwork next year.

Ms. Carvalho stated the town is very picturesque to hold this celebration because, while many from there that lived here are not alive, there are still descendants here who serve our community. Ms. Carvalho further stated we are proud of who we are.

Mr. Bueno agreed with Ms. Carvalho's sentiments and touched upon his own heritage.

Mr. Lopez stated it would be helpful to confirm whether delegation will arrive next month.

Ms. Carvalho stated if also helpful, she can send a letter in Portuguese to formalize identity of members as it would be helpful to reach out.

Mr. Bueno agreed and stated that would validate committee to be point of contacts for delegation. He also stated he will touch base with Wendy/Vicki to confirm that information if delegation will be present or not.

Other Business – Next Meeting?

Mr. Bueno asked the committee if they wanted to meet next week to plan if delegation comes or not? Next meeting we can confirm to public if delegation is coming or not.

Ms. Carvalho stated Fridays open to me most of the time.

Mr. Lopez stated Monday to Wednesday works with him.

Mr. Bueno stated that next week is tentative for if delegation is coming, we can plan to meet next week but if not, then we can push November/December. Tentative meeting space and time would be good.

Mr. Lopez stated if given a choice, Tuesdays would be more flexible for him.

Ms. Carvalho stated Tuesday works for her as well.

Mr. Bueno confirmed meeting for 10am on Tuesday, July 20th. Tentative for information.

Mr. Frates (Fairhaven TV staff) stated that would not be comply with 48 hours' notice so can't hold that meeting space and time.

Mr. Bueno asked the committee if Wednesday, July 21st would work.

Mr. Lopez stated it would work with him.

Mr. Bueno stated if 2pm on Wednesday, July 21st would work with the committee?

Committee agreed Wednesday, July 21st at 2pm works for meeting.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Carvalho and seconded by Mr. Lopez. Motion passes 3-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 2:22pm.